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1. United States Patent No. 5,802,361, issued to Wang et al., dated September 1, 1998;
2. Tao B. et al., "Image Retrieval With Templates of Arbitrary Size", SPIE, Vol. 3022, pp. 2-11 (13 February 1997);

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3. European Patent Application No. 0 643 358 A2, dated March 15, 1995;
4. Pentland et al., "Photobook: Content-Based Manipulation of Image Databases", International Journal of Computer Vision, Vol. 18, No. 3, pp. 233-254 (1996);
5. European Patent Application No. 1 018 688 A2, dated July 12, 2000;
6. European Patent Application No. 0 947 937 A2, dated October 6, 1999; and
7. Patent Abstract of Japan, Vol. 1998, No. 01 (30 January 1998) & JP 09 237343A.

The references were cited in a Search Report dated April 26, 2004 received from the European Patent Office. Applicant is submitting copies of the above-cited references, together with a copy of the Search Report. The relevance of the above-identified references has been described in the Search Report.

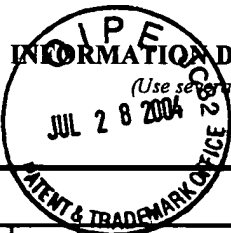
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**OTHER DOCUMENTS***(Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)*

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